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Therefore let the hon. Member Sri K. P. Gopalan raise his point and then the Hon. the Leader of the House can say what he has to say."

* THE HON. SRI C. SUBRAMANIAM :—" I have agreed to this point being raised and all my objections I have to state before the House. I am stating that it is a matter pending before the Court and is *sub judice*."

MR. SPEAKER :—" When the Hon. the Leader of the House gave his consent, he had probably not gone through the file and said the point may be raised or, on second thoughts, he is now objecting in view of the fact that the matter is before a Court and is *sub judice*."

THE HON. SRI C. SUBRAMANIAM :—" Even my consent cannot make it valid."

* SRI M. KALYANASUNDARAM :—" That is not my point at all, Sir. The hon. Member Sri K. P. Gopalan does not want to discuss anything which is the subject-matter of the dispute. He has raised certain things, as I see it, with regard to the behaviour of the police. This is not the subject-matter before the Court. The Hon. the Leader of the House, if he does not misunderstand me, is only trying to evade the issue as a result of his second thoughts."

* THE HON. SRI C. SUBRAMANIAM :—" Sir, I am not trying to evade anything. As a matter of fact, what the hon. Member has said is all a distortion of facts and exaggeration of facts. Even if it is a question of going into facts, I will only say the Communist Party has adopted in this instance also the same tactics they adopt in regard to representation of matters. But, unfortunately, this matter is pending before the Court and I do not want to go into it. It should not be discussed here."

* SRI M. KALYANASUNDARAM :—" Sir, I welcome the statement of the Hon. the Leader of the House. At least a hundred times we have raised such complaints, I admit, but how many times did the Hon. the Leader of the House enquire into them and disprove our allegations? "

MR. SPEAKER :—" Now, we are very far away from the main subject. I shall consider how far this matter is *sub judice* and before doing so, I cannot give my ruling. I shall take it up on Monday."

III.—POLICE FIRING AT NADUVATTAM AND REPORT OF THE SPECIAL OFFICER ON IT.

SRI T. C. NARAYANAN NAMBIAR :—" Mr. Speaker, Sir, on the 11th of this month, I gave notice of my intention to call the attention of the Minister concerned to a matter of urgent public importance, namely, the Naduvattam firing incident that took place on the 28th March 1954, to enquire into which a Special Officer was

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appointed. This Special Officer has submitted his report to the Government. When the matter was subsequently raised in the form of a question, the Hon. the Minister for Finance said that the matter was *sub judice* as the case was pending trial. Now the case is over and the report is with the Government. The people are anxious to know what the findings of the Special Officer appointed for the purpose are. I want to raise this point as a matter of urgent public importance so that the report may be placed on the table of the House and we can also be allowed to discuss the matter."

MR. SPEAKER :—" The hon. Member must give me time to consider. I do not know what this is about. I have received notices of so many motions that it is not possible for me to remember all of them. The hon. Member could have asked me in my Chamber about this and I would have informed the Hon. Minister for Finance about it."

SRI M. KALYANASUNDARAM :—" This very point was discussed in your Chamber, Sir."

MR. SPEAKER :—" A number of motions have been brought to my notice. I do not exactly know what it is. I will take it up on Monday or Tuesday."

IV.—NON-OFFICIAL BUSINESS.

A. Bills.

(1) THE DECLARATION OF MAY DAY HOLIDAY BILL, 1954 (L.A. BILL NO. 11 OF 1954).

SRI S. RAMALINGAM :—" Comrade Speaker . . ."

(Several hon. Members rose on points of order.)

SRI S. SWAYAMPRAKASAM :—" Mr. Speaker, Sir, the hon. Member Sri S. Ramalingam began by saying ' Comrade Speaker.' Is the hon. Member allowed to do so? "

MR. SPEAKER :—" The hon. Member Sri S. Ramalingam will please address the Speaker as ' Mr. Speaker '."

SRI S. RAMALINGAM :—' Mr. Speaker, Sir, I move—

' *That the Declaration of May Day Holiday Bill*, 1954 (*L.A. Bill No.* 11 *of* 1954), *be taken into consideration at once.*'

" This Bill seeks to make the 1st of May of every year a holiday with pay for the working class and middle class employees in the State. There is at present no power given to the State Government to compel factories, shops and establishments to close them for May Day which has long been recognized as an International Working-Class Day. This Bill makes it obligatory to close all factories, shops and establishments on 1st of May every year.